

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SC OBC STUDENTS  
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**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the amount of funds allocated to the States and the funds pending for release by the Government under the Post Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC/OBC students during the last three years, particularly for Rajasthan;
- (b) whether the State Government of Rajasthan has sought the remaining amount of funds to implement the scheme in an effective manner; and
- (c) if so, the time by which the remaining funds are likely to be released?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) & (b) Schedule Caste Students

Under Post Matric Scholarship Scheme for Scheduled Caste Students 100% admissible central assistance is released by the Central Government to the State/UTs over and above the committed liability for implementing the scheme. North Eastern States are exempted from the committed liability. Central assistance amounting to Rs. 6519.48 crore has been released to the States/UTs during the last three years i.e. from 2011-12 to 2013-14.

The Central assistance released to Rajasthan during the last 3 years under this scheme is as under:

Sl.No.	Year	CA (Rs. In lakh)
1	2011-12	2982.32
2	2012-13	6013.35
3	2013-14	10592.00

State Government has forwarded a request for releasing balance amount of Central Assistance for the year 2013-14. Requisite information regarding actual expenditure and the number of beneficiaries covered during 2013-14 has been called for from the State Government, which has not been received so far.

Other Backward Class Students

The details of the amount of the funds allocated and pending for release to the States including Rajasthan under the Post Matric Scholarship for OBC Students during the last three years are annexed.

(c) Scheduled Caste Students

The balance amount of the previous year, if any, is released to the States/UTs after receiving complete information from them.

Other Backward Class Students

There is no fund pending for release to the State Government of Rajasthan during the last three years as per their allocation. As per the guidelines of the Scheme, the additional demand has to be met by the State Government.